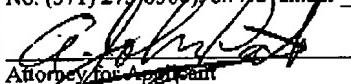


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**CORRECTED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3)**  
**FOR UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED PRIORITY CLAIM**  
**UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 120**

Mail Stop Petition  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Decision Dismissing Petition mailed February 6, 2007, Applicant provides the present Corrected Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3) and requests the granting of an unintentionally delayed priority claim under 35 U.S.C. § 120 as follows:

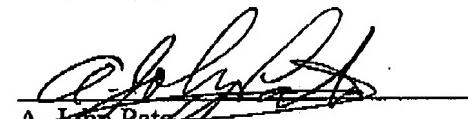
This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/146,531 filed on May 15, 2002, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/558,307 filed on April 25, 2000.

As required by 35 U.S.C. § 120, Applicant is submitting concurrently herewith a Corrected Request for Certificate of Correction amending to the first paragraph of the specification of the above-identified patent application to recite the entire priority claim set forth hereinabove. Also, Applicant confirms that the entire delay between the date the claim was due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2)(ii) and the date the claim was filed was unintentional.

Applicant previously provided on December 12, 2006 payment in the amount of one thousand three hundred seventy dollars (\$1,370.00) to cover the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(t). Accordingly, Applicant requests that the correction to the specification filed concurrently herewith be accepted and that the unintentionally delayed priority claim under 35 U.S.C. § 120, set forth hereinabove, be granted.

DATED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,



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